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Interviews: 1,012 voters  
Dates: October 18-21, 2002

48 Male  
52 Female  
[109]

## FINAL

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**Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.**

**The margin of error for 1,012 interviews is  $\pm 3.1\%$**

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

1. Are you currently registered to vote in the precinct or election district where you live now, or haven't you had a chance to register yet?

Yes, registered.....	100	<b>CONTINUE</b>	[139]
No, not registered.....	-	<b>TERMINATE</b>	
Not sure .....	-		

2. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>High</u> <u>9/01</u>	<u>Low</u> <u>7/92+</u>	
Right direction.....	44	42	40	52	53	62	70	72	72	14	[140]
Wrong track.....	42	43	42	31	28	20	15	11	11	71	
Mixed (VOL).....	14	12	14	14	15	14	12	11	11	9	
Not sure.....	-	3	4	3	4	4	3	6	6	6	
		<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	<u>9/00+</u>			
		43	47	52	45	39	48	51			
		39	39	32	36	43	32	29			
		14	11	11	15	14	18	16			
		4	3	5	4	4	2	4			
		<u>7/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>	<u>4/00+</u>							
		48	44	44							
		32	38	34							
		17	15	19							
		3	3	3							

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3a. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing as president?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>5/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	
Approve.....	63	64	67	69	75	74	82	<b>[141]</b>
Disapprove.....	31	30	27	23	18	20	13	
Not sure.....	6	6	6	8	7	6	5	
		<u>12/01</u>	<u>11/01</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	
		85	88	82	50	56	57	
		11	7	12	35	30	22	
		4	5	6	15	14	21	

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3b. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing in handling the economy?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	
Approve.....	48	48	49	57	61	63	<b>[142]</b>
Disapprove.....	44	43	43	34	30	27	
Not sure.....	8	9	8	9	9	10	
		<u>12/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>		
		63	50	51	52		
		25	38	33	27		
		12	12	16	21		

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3c. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing in handling our foreign policy?

	<u>10/02*+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	
Approve.....	58	55	62	64	68	81	<b>[143]</b>
Disapprove.....	35	34	28	28	26	13	
Not sure.....	7	11	10	8	6	6	
		<u>12/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>		
		82	50	63	53		
		12	32	26	20		
		6	18	11	27		

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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3d. If President Bush runs for re-election in the year 2004, do you think you will probably vote for President Bush or probably vote for the Democratic candidate?

Probably vote for President Bush.....	45	<b>[144]</b>
Probably vote for Democratic candidate.....	31	
Vote for other party (VOL).....	3	
Depends/Depends on who opponent is (VOL).....	17	
Not sure.....	4	

4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?

	<u>10/02**+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>High</u> <u>9/98</u>	<u>Low</u> <u>10/90+</u>	
Approve.....	44	40	34	43	54	57	47	43	61	22	[145]
Disapprove.....	40	44	48	41	29	29	34	33	28	69	
Not sure.....	16	16	18	16	17	14	19	24	11	9	
	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>7/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>3/00+</u>	<u>1/00</u>	
	45	48	55	49	46	46	43	42	43	48	
	32	35	30	35	41	42	46	44	40	36	
	23	17	15	16	13	12	11	14	17	16	
	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>9/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>3/99</u>	<u>1/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	
	45	42	40	43	40	49	41	50	44	48	
	42	45	49	41	42	38	45	40	42	39	
	13	13	11	16	18	13	14	10	14	13	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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5. I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and groups, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	<u>Very</u> <u>Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat</u> <u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat</u> <u>Negative</u>	<u>Very</u> <u>Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know</u> <u>Name/</u> <u>Not Sure</u>	
<b>George W. Bush</b>							[146]
October 2002+.....	37	24	11	12	15	1	
September 2002.....	38	25	14	11	12	-	
July 2002.....	40	26	11	11	12	-	
June 2002.....	43	27	11	10	9	-	
April 2002.....	47	25	13	8	7	-	
January 2002.....	53	26	10	7	4	-	
December 2001.....	54	26	9	6	5	-	
June 2001.....	30	23	16	15	15	1	
April 2001.....	36	22	15	13	14	-	
March 2001.....	38	24	14	12	11	1	
January 2001.....	25	25	18	13	17	2	
December 2000.....	23	25	16	13	22	1	
<u>High</u>							
December 2001.....	54	26	9	6	5	-	
<u>Low</u>							
March 2000+.....	19	26	21	15	17	2	

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
<b>The Democratic Party</b>							<b>[148]</b>
October 2002+.....	12	27	27	20	12	2	
September 2002.....	12	26	30	17	12	3	
July 2002.....	10	29	25	21	13	2	
June 2002.....	10	27	27	18	14	4	
January 2002.....	16	33	23	15	11	2	
December 2001.....	18	30	26	14	9	3	
June 2001.....	15	31	24	17	11	2	
March 2001.....	17	27	24	16	14	2	
January 2001.....	21	26	22	16	13	2	
December 2000.....	23	23	18	16	18	2	
October 2000+.....	20	27	20	15	16	2	
September 2000+.....	23	26	19	17	14	1	
<i>High</i>							
January 2000.....	20	30	23	15	10	2	
<i>Low</i>							
December 1994.....	10	23	25	24	16	2	
<b>The Republican Party</b>							<b>[148]</b>
October 2002+.....	16	28	24	17	14	1	
September 2002.....	15	30	26	13	13	3	
July 2002.....	18	25	22	17	14	4	
June 2002.....	17	29	23	16	11	4	
January 2002.....	20	32	24	12	9	3	
December 2001.....	21	36	18	13	9	3	
June 2001.....	13	30	21	19	16	1	
March 2001.....	18	31	21	15	14	1	
January 2001.....	14	30	25	15	14	2	
December 2000.....	18	26	23	14	18	1	
October 2000+.....	14	29	25	16	14	2	
September 2000+.....	14	33	19	20	13	1	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	21	36	18	13	9	3	
<i>Low</i>							
March 1999.....	1	22	23	19	23	2	

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure	
<b>Al Gore</b>							<b>[149]</b>
October 2002+.....	7	18	24	19	30	2	
June 2002.....	11	21	28	17	20	3	
January 2002.....	12	21	31	15	18	3	
June 2001.....	14	24	25	17	18	2	
March 2001.....	16	25	22	17	19	1	
January 2001.....	22	29	15	15	18	1	
December 2000.....	23	21	11	14	30	1	
November 27, 2000.....	31	16	10	17	26	-	
Likely voters November 2000+.....	25	22	15	17	20	1	
Likely voters October 2000+.....	24	25	11	15	25	-	
September 2000+.....	26	26	14	15	18	1	
August 2000+.....	22	22	19	15	21	1	
July 2000+.....	17	26	18	15	23	1	
<i>High</i>							
January 1993.....	23	32	22	9	6	8	
<i>Low</i>							
June 2002.....	11	21	28	17	20	3	

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### Turning to this year's election...

6a. How much interest do you have in the upcoming elections for U.S. Congress in your district -- a great deal, quite a bit, just some, very little, or none at all?

	10/02+	10/98+	9/98	10/94	Registered Voters			
					9/98+	10/94+	10/90+	
A great deal of interest.....	32	31	27	26	29	30	28	<b>[150]</b>
Quite a bit of interest.....	21	24	23	26	25	28	24	
Just some interest.....	32	31	33	33	33	31	29	
Very little interest.....	11	11	12	11	10	9	14	
No interest at all.....	3	2	4	3	2	2	4	
Not sure.....	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	

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- 6b. Please tell me how likely you are to vote in this November's elections for offices such as governor and U.S. senator, using a ten-point scale. If you are certain that you will vote in November, pick a number closer to ten. If it is less likely that you will vote, use a number closer to one. You may choose any number from one to ten.

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	
10, certain to vote.....	73	68	64	[151-152]
9.....	8	7	12	
8.....	7	6	7	
7.....	4	3	4	
6.....	1	1	3	
5.....	3	3	4	
4.....	1	-	-	
3.....	1	1	2	
2.....	-	1	1	
1, less likely to vote.....	2	10	2	
Not sure.....	-	-	1	

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7. In this November's election for U.S. Congress, do you feel that your representative deserves to be reelected, or do you think it is time to give a new person a chance?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>12/97+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	
Deserves to be reelected.....	42	41	50	49	49	42	48	41	39	[153]
Give new person a chance.....	39	42	35	38	39	47	37	45	49	
Not sure.....	19	17	15	13	12	11	15	14	12	
		<u>9/94</u>	<u>5/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>10/93</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>10/92+</u>	<u>9/92+</u>	
		30	34	35	34	37	30	31	31	
		53	50	47	52	47	55	56	56	
		17	16	18	14	16	15	13	13	
		<u>7/92+</u>	<u>4/92+</u>	<u>2/92+</u>	<u>1/92+</u>	<u>12/91+</u>	<u>10/91+</u>	<u>10/90+</u>	<u>11/89+</u>	
		27	33	37	42	35	40	39	41	
		62	57	52	48	52	48	48	36	
		11	10	11	10	13	12	13	23	

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8. What is your preference for the outcome of this November's congressional elections—a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>	
Republican-controlled Congress.....	43	42	43	42	44	42	40	[154]
Democrat-controlled Congress.....	42	42	41	41	40	40	44	
Not sure <sup>2</sup> .....	15	16	16	17	16	18	16	
		<u>10/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>3/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	
		39	39	42	41	37	41	
		41	43	41	40	43	43	
		20	18	17	19	20	16	
		<u>9/98</u>	<u>7/98</u>	<u>6/98</u>	<u>4/98</u>	<u>2/98</u>	<u>1/98</u>	
		40	41	39	37	41	40	
		39	40	40	41	37	42	
		21	19	21	22	22	18	
		<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>7/97</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94</u> <sup>1</sup>
		41	41	45	44	41	42	44
		37	39	39	38	38	41	38
		22	20	16	18	21	17	18

<sup>1</sup> In October 1994, the question referred to the 1994 congressional elections; the 1995 and 1996 survey dates referred to the 1996 congressional elections; the 1997 and 1998 dates refer to the 1998 congressional elections.

<sup>2</sup> The volunteered responses "both equal," "neither in control," or "doesn't matter," were reported separately; for purposes of comparative they are combined with "not sure."

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9a. In this year's election for U.S. House of Representatives, do you plan to vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate in your district? (IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean at this time?

	<u>10/02+</u>		<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	
Vote for the Republican candidate....	39	CONTINUE	37	34	33	33	34	40	34	[155]
Vote for the Democratic candidate....	39		35	36	35	32	33	43	36	
Depends (VOL).....	9	Skip to	12	15	15	19	16	8	14	
Other/neither/won't vote (VOL).....	3	Q.10	5	5	3	4	3	2	4	
Not sure.....	10		11	10	14	12	14	7	12	
			<u>7/98</u>	<u>6/98</u>	<u>4/98</u>	<u>1/98</u>	<u>9/98+</u>	<u>7/98+</u>	<u>6/98+</u>	
			32	32	30	30	35	33	34	
			34	36	36	36	37	35	37	
			15	16	18	22	14	16	16	
			5	6	4	3	2	2	3	
			14	10	12	9	12	14	10	
			<u>4/98+</u>	<u>1/98+</u>	<u>10/96+</u>	<u>9/96+</u>	<u>8/20- 21/96+</u>	<u>8/2- 6/96+</u>	<u>7/96+</u>	
			30	32	38	36	37	38	37	
			37	36	39	42	38	38	40	
			20	22	8	7	11	10	10	
			1	2	1	2	2	2	1	
			12	8	14	13	12	12	12	
			<u>6/96+</u>	<u>6/96+</u>	<u>5/96+</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>12/95<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>11/94</u>	<u>10/94</u>	
			35	35	36	36	34	40	39	
			40	40	39	38	36	37	36	
			10	10	9	12	17	6	6	
			1	1	2	3	3	3	5	
			14	14	14	11	10	14	14	
			<u>10/94+</u>	<u>9/94</u>						
			41	33						
			36	39						
			7	9						
			2	5						
			14	14						

<sup>1</sup> Prior to March 1996, this question was phrased, "election for U.S. Congress..."

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**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY DEMOCRATIC OR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE IN Q.9a.)**

9b. Which one of the following best describes the reason why you are voting for the **(CANDIDATE CHOSEN IN Q.9a)** in your district? **(IF "ALL," ASK:)** Well, if you had to choose just one, which would it be?

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE OF DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE*

	Democratic Candidate	Republican Candidate	
The candidate's position on the economy.....	20	8	[156]
The candidate's position on domestic issues such as education.....	20	12	
The candidate represents my political party.....	16	16	
The candidate will deliver well for my district.....	12	15	
The candidate's position on local issues.....	11	10	
The candidate's position on the war on terrorism and Iraq .....	9	13	
The candidate's character or personal qualities...	8	19	
Other/none/won't vote (VOL).....	3	5	
Not sure.....	1	2	

10. Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?

	10/02+ <sup>1</sup>	10/98+ <sup>1</sup>	
A vote to send a signal of support.....	31	28	[157]
A vote to send a signal of opposition....	19	23	
Not a signal either way.....	49	49	
Do not plan to vote (VOL).....	-	NA	
Not sure.....	1	-	

<sup>1</sup> In October 1998, this question asked, "Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for Bill Clinton, a signal of opposition to Bill Clinton, or not a signal either way about Bill Clinton?"

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11a. Now I'm going to read you two statements. Please tell me which one comes closer to your point of view.  
**Statement A:** In a time of war when we have a Republican president, it is much better to have a majority of Republicans in the House and Senate as well to provide the president with the kind of support and unity needed on both the domestic and international fronts. OR **Statement B:** When issues such as prescription drugs, the environment, and strengthening regulations on business are being debated and we have a Republican president, it is much better to have a majority of Democrats in the House and Senate to provide checks and balances on domestic issues.

	10/02 ±	9/02	7/02	6/02 <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Statement A</b> /majority of Republicans better.....	41	39	38	37	[158]
<b>Statement B</b> /majority of Democrats better.....	49	49	50	48	
Depends (VOL).....	6	6	8	9	
Not sure.....	4	6	4	6	

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<sup>1</sup> In June 2002, the phrase "...and strengthening regulations on business..." was *not* included in Statement B.

- 11b. If the Republicans were to control the House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate and the White House, do you think that it would be a good thing, a bad thing, or would it not make much difference to you?

A good thing.....	31	<b>[159]</b>
A bad thing.....	41	
Would not make much difference to me.....	25	
Not sure.....	3	

- 11c. If the Democrats were to control the House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, do you think that it would be a good thing, a bad thing, or would it not make much difference to you?

A good thing.....	32	<b>[160]</b>
A bad thing.....	34	
Would not make much difference to me.....	30	
Not sure.....	4	

- 12a. Which ONE or TWO of the following issues and problems do you think should be the top priority to address for the President and Congress over the next several months? (**ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES. IF "ALL," ASK:**) If you absolutely had to choose, which ONE or TWO issues would you say are the biggest priorities?

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE*

Strengthening the economy.....	43	<b>[161-162]</b>
Fighting terrorism.....	36	<b>&gt;</b>
Dealing with health care costs.....	18	
Dealing with Iraq.....	18	
Protecting Social Security.....	17	
Strengthening regulations on business.....	6	
Dealing with tax cuts.....	4	
All equally important (VOL).....	16	
None/other (VOL).....	1	
Not sure.....	-	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 12b. Please tell me which ONE or TWO of the following issues will be most important to you in deciding how to vote in this November's congressional election. **(ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES. IF "ALL," ASK:)** If you absolutely had to choose, which ONE or TWO issues would you say are most important to you?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Strengthening the economy.....	42	<b>[163-164]</b>
Fighting terrorism.....	31	>
Dealing with health care costs.....	20	
Dealing with Iraq.....	18	
Protecting Social Security.....	18	
Dealing with tax cuts.....	7	
Strengthening regulations on business.....	5	
All equally important (VOL).....	16	
None/other (VOL).....	1	
Not sure.....	-	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

13. Which will be MORE important to you in voting in this November's congressional election--the economy or the war on terrorism and Iraq, or is it some other issue?

The economy.....	47	<b>[165]</b>
The war on terrorism and Iraq.....	39	
Some other issue.....	10	
Not sure.....	4	

- 14a. If the Congressional representative from your district voted AGAINST President Bush's Iraq resolution, would it make you much more likely to support that person, somewhat more likely to support that person, somewhat less likely to support that person, much less likely to support that person, or would it not make any difference to you either way?

Much more likely to support.....	16	<b>[166]</b>
Somewhat more likely to support.....	13	
Somewhat less likely to support.....	17	
Much less likely to support.....	25	
Would not make any difference either way.....	26	
Not sure.....	3	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 14b. If the Congressional representative from your district voted FOR President Bush's Iraq resolution, would it make you much more likely to support that person, somewhat more likely to support that person, somewhat less likely to support that person, much less likely to support that person, or would it not make any difference to you in your support for this person in this November's congressional election?

Much more likely to support.....	22	<b>[167]</b>
Somewhat more likely to support.....	20	
Somewhat less likely to support.....	17	
Much less likely to support.....	11	
Would not make any difference either way.....	27	
Not sure.....	3	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

15. Which statement comes closest to your own opinion of President Bush's handling of the issues?

**Statement A:** He has spent too much time on Iraq and terrorism and has not paid enough attention to the economy.

**Statement B:** He has spent too much time on the economy and has not paid enough attention to Iraq and terrorism.

**Statement C:** He has spent the right amount of time on both the economy and terrorism and has not shortchanged either issue.

<b>Statement A</b> /spent too much time on Iraq and terrorism.....	42	<b>[168]</b>
<b>Statement B</b> /spent too much time on the economy.....	2	
.....		
<b>Statement C</b> /spent right amount of time on both.....	53	
Not sure.....	3	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 16a. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? **(IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:)** Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? **(IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "NOT VERY STRONG DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN." IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:)** Do you think of yourself as closer to the Democratic Party, closer to the Republican Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent?

Strong Democrat.....	17	<b>Skip to Q.17a</b>	<b>[169]</b>
Not very strong Democrat.....	10		
Independent/lean Democrat.....	12		
Strictly independent.....	18	<b>CONTINUE</b>	
Independent/lean Republican.....	11		
Not very strong Republican.....	9		
Strong Republican.....	17		
Other.....	5		
Not sure/nothing.....	1		

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A STRICT INDEPENDENT, A REPUBLICAN, OR SOMETHING ELSE IN Q.16a.)**

- 16b. If there were a presidential primary election in your state, would you vote in the Democratic primary, the Republican primary, or would you wait to vote in the general election?

Vote in the Democratic primary.....	8	<b>CONTINUE</b>	<b>[170]</b>
Vote in the Republican primary.....	43		
Wait until the general election.....	42	<b>Skip to Q.18a</b>	
Neither/other (VOL).....	3		
Not sure.....	4		

**(ASK ONLY OF DEMOCRATS IN Q.16a AND RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY WILL VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.16b.)**

17a. Let me mention some people who might seek the Democratic nomination for president in 2004. If the next Democratic primary for president were being held today, which one of the following candidates would you vote for? (IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean?

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	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>1/02</u>	
Al Gore.....	32	35	[171-172]
Joe Lieberman.....	13	9	
Tom Daschle.....	10	9	
John Kerry.....	10	6	
Richard Gephardt.....	9	8	
John Edwards.....	3	3	
Al Sharpton.....	2	NA	
Howard Dean.....	-	NA	
None/other (VOL).....	8	4	
Not sure.....	13	14	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

**(ASK ONLY OF DEMOCRATS IN Q.16a AND RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY WILL VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.16b.)**

17b. Would you prefer to have Al Gore run for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2004, or would you prefer to have Al Gore step aside in 2004?

Prefer to have Al Gore run in 2004.....	38	[173]
Prefer to have Al Gore step aside in 2004.....	53	
Not sure.....	9	

18. When it comes to **(READ ITEM)**, which party do you think would do a better job--the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, both about the same, or neither?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

	Party <u>Advantage</u>	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
<b>Dealing with the economy</b>							<b>[174]</b>
October 2002*+.....	D-6	36	30	21	9	4	
June 2002.....	D-1	32	31	24	9	4	
June 2001.....	D-6	37	31	20	6	6	
December 1999.....	D-3	34	31	24	7	4	
March 1999.....	D-6	35	29	26	6	4	
September 1998.....	-	31	31	29	6	3	
September 1997.....	R-9	25	34	26	9	6	
October 1996.....	D-4	36	32	15	10	7	
May 1996+.....	R-4	26	30	27	14	3	
December 1995.....	R-8	22	30	27	17	4	
June 1995.....	R-12	17	29	29	23	2	
October 1994.....	R-8	22	30	28	16	4	
July 1994.....	R-11	18	29	32	17	4	
June 1994.....	R-5	21	26	39	12	2	
October 1993.....	R-5	22	27	20	28	3	
March 1993.....	D-16	34	18	34	11	3	
July 1992+.....	D-8	26	18	35	18	3	
May 1992.....	D-6	29	23	26	17	5	
January 1992+.....	D-5	28	23	33	12	4	
October 1991+.....	R-1	27	28	26	14	5	
<b>Dealing with the war on terrorism</b>							<b>[175]</b>
October 2002*+.....	R-36	13	49	27	6	5	
<b>Dealing with Social Security</b>							<b>[176]</b>
October 2002*+.....	D-23	43	20	19	13	5	
June 2002.....	D-15	36	21	26	12	5	
June 2001.....	D-15	38	23	22	11	6	
December 1999.....	D-15	38	23	18	14	7	
March 1999.....	D-18	39	21	23	11	6	
October 1998+.....	D-23	44	21	25	6	4	
September 1998.....	D-16	37	21	25	13	4	
July 1998.....	D-9	28	19	34	14	5	
January 1998.....	D-11	26	15	34	18	7	
September 1997.....	D-14	33	19	18	22	8	
October 1996.....	D-12	36	24	17	15	8	
December 1995.....	D-22	44	22	14	14	6	
June 1995.....	D-9	35	26	16	15	8	
November 1994.....	D-5	32	27	15	16	10	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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Q.18 (cont'd)	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
<b>Dealing with prescription drugs for seniors</b>							[177]
October 2002**+.....	D-28	44	16	18	14	8	
<b>Dealing with taxes</b>							[178]
October 2002**+.....	R-5	31	36	17	11	5	
June 2002.....	R-6	27	33	20	15	5	
June 2001.....	R-8	28	36	20	11	5	
December 1999.....	R-3	30	33	19	13	5	
March 1999.....	R-6	29	35	20	12	4	
October 1998+.....	-	32	32	21	10	5	
September 1998.....	R-6	29	35	22	11	3	
September 1997.....	R-5	26	31	20	16	7	
October 1996.....	R-5	30	35	15	13	7	
May 1996+.....	R-9	25	34	17	19	5	
December 1995.....	R-8	26	34	14	20	6	
June 1995.....	R-13	22	35	15	22	6	
November 1994.....	R-13	23	36	16	17	8	
October 1994.....	R-15	23	38	17	18	4	
October 1993.....	R-11	23	34	16	23	4	
<b>Getting the economy out of a recession</b>							[179]
October 2002**+.....	D-5	35	30	21	9	5	
<b>Dealing with Iraq</b>							[180]
October 2002**+.....	R-30	17	47	21	8	7	
<b>Dealing with health care</b>							[208]
October 2002**+.....	D-25	46	21	19	11	3	
June 2002.....	D-22	38	16	23	18	5	
June 2001.....	D-21	41	20	21	12	6	
December 1999.....	D-26	43	17	21	13	6	
March 1999.....	D-24	42	18	23	12	5	
October 1998+.....	D-20	41	21	26	8	4	
September 1998.....	D-20	40	20	24	13	3	
June 1998.....	D-13	25	12	34	23	6	
May 1996.....	D-20	42	22	16	17	3	
December 1995.....	D-21	43	22	13	16	6	
October 1994.....	D-12	37	25	12	20	6	
July 1994.....	D-16	37	21	18	18	6	
May 1994.....	D-9	26	17	38	15	4	
October 1993.....	D-28	44	16	16	18	6	
March 1993.....	D-48	57	9	17	12	5	
July 1992+.....	D-34	44	10	21	19	6	
April 1992+.....	D-36	48	12	17	18	5	
October 1991+.....	D-34	46	12	18	16	8	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.18 (cont'd)	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure	
<b>Dealing with education</b>							<b>[209]</b>
October 2002**+.....	D-12	37	25	26	8	4	
June 2002.....	D-6	31	25	27	11	6	
June 2001.....	D-7	33	26	27	10	4	
December 1999.....	D-13	37	24	25	10	4	
March 1999.....	D-14	37	23	27	9	4	
October 1998+.....	D-19	40	21	28	7	4	
September 1998.....	D-16	38	22	29	8	3	
September 1997.....	D-20	40	20	22	12	6	
October 1996.....	D-23	46	23	14	9	8	
May 1996+.....	D-16	40	24	19	12	5	
December 1995.....	D-10	35	25	19	14	7	
June 1995.....	D-9	35	26	21	11	7	
October 1994.....	D-13	34	21	24	15	6	
October 1993.....	D-8	32	24	16	24	4	
July 1992+.....	D-25	42	17	25	12	4	
October 1991+.....	D-14	28	14	33	18	7	
October 1990+.....	D-18	33	15	30	14	8	
November 1989+.....	D-15	30	15	32	15	8	
<b>Strengthening laws against corporate corruption</b>							<b>[210]</b>
October 2002**+.....	D-13	37	24	20	13	6	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.



Turning to the economy...

19a. How satisfied are you with the state of the U.S. economy today--are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with the state of the economy?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>High</u> <u>9/98</u>	<u>Low</u> <u>9/02</u>	
Very satisfied.....	4	2	4	6	4	5	18	31	2	[211]
Somewhat satisfied.....	27	32	42	44	43	47	57	55	32	
Somewhat dissatisfied.....	37	41	39	33	39	32	18	10	41	
Very dissatisfied.....	31	24	14	15	13	15	6	3	24	
Not sure.....	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	
	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>6/97</u>	<u>3/97</u>	
	29	23	26	27	31	18	13	10	13	
	52	53	54	55	55	52	52	51	45	
	12	17	13	12	10	20	23	27	27	
	6	7	6	5	3	8	10	10	13	
	1	-	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	
	<u>12/96</u>	<u>9/96</u>	<u>6/96</u>	<u>5/96+</u>	<u>3/96</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>4/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>	
	9	7	5	4	3	3	4	4	4	
	51	49	43	43	39	37	39	40	41	
	27	30	32	38	37	38	35	37	38	
	11	12	18	14	19	19	21	18	15	
	2	2	2	1	2	3	1	1	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

19b. How satisfied are you with your own financial situation today--very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with your financial situation?

	<u>10/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>9/99</u>	<u>High</u> <u>9/98</u>	<u>Low</u> <u>12/94</u>	
	+									
Very satisfied.....	18	16	19	21	25	21	22	26	13	[212]
Somewhat satisfied.....	40	47	50	50	51	53	50	52	48	
Somewhat dissatisfied.....	23	24	19	17	13	14	18	14	24	
Very dissatisfied.....	19	13	12	11	10	11	10	7	14	
Not sure.....	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	1	
		<u>12/98</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>12/9</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>6/97</u>	<u>3/97</u>	<u>12/96</u>	<u>12/94</u>	
				<u>7</u>						
		25	26	20	19	16	17	16	13	
		51	52	51	49	50	48	50	48	
		13	14	16	17	20	20	21	24	
		10	7	12	14	13	14	12	14	
		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	

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20. During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/96</u>	[213]
Economy will get better.....	41	39	41	50	50	36	28	17	19	19	21	
Economy will get worse.....	20	18	20	13	15	25	29	24	22	22	21	
Economy will stay about the same.....	34	39	37	32	32	34	37	54	53	57	52	
Not sure.....	5	4	2	5	3	5	6	5	6	2	6	
		<u>7/95</u>	<u>4/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>	<u>5/94</u>	<u>3/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>12/93</u>	
		20	24	31	31	28	28	27	29	44	43	
		21	23	17	24	24	17	21	16	16	19	
		54	50	46	40	44	52	49	52	36	34	
		5	3	6	5	4	3	3	3	4	4	
	<u>10/93</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>6/93</u>	<u>4/93</u>	<u>3/93</u>	<u>1/93</u>	<u>12/92</u>	<u>5/92</u>	<u>9/91</u>		
	21	23	20	23	33	39	50	53	32	31		
	27	24	29	27	21	15	9	10	20	24		
	50	51	48	47	44	43	39	35	45	40		
	2	2	3	3	2	3	2	2	3	5		

<sup>1</sup> Prior to April 2001, this question was phrased, "During the next year..."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

21. In terms of the country's economic condition, which of the following statements comes closest to your point of view?

	<u>10/02**+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	[214]
The country is currently in an economic recession and will come out of it in the next twelve months.....	40	37	
The country is currently in an economic recession and will continue to be in the next twelve months.....	41	43	
The country is not currently in an economic recession but will be within the next twelve months.....	5	5	
The country is not currently in an economic recession and will not be in the next twelve months.....	11	11	
Not sure.....	3	4	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 22a. How likely do you think it is that you or someone in your household will lose their job as a result of a recession in the next twelve months--extremely likely, very likely, just somewhat likely, or not that likely?

	<u>10/02+</u>		<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/91</u> <sup>1</sup>	[215]
Extremely likely.....	6	CONTINUE	6	8	8	
Very likely.....	6		7	7	10	
Just somewhat likely.....	17	Skip to Q.22c	18	20	21	
Not that likely.....	69		67	64	58	
Not sure.....	2		2	1	3	

<sup>1</sup> In September 1991, this question was phrased, "How likely do you think it is that you or someone in your household will lose their job as a result of the recession..."

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**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY EXTREMELY OR VERY LIKELY IN Q.22a.)**

22b. For the person in your household who might lose his or her job, how likely is it that he or she will find a comparable job in the area you live in?

Extremely likely.....	5	[216]
Very likely.....	10	
Just somewhat likely.....	21	
Not that likely.....	62	
Not sure.....	2	

22c. How likely do you think it is that you or someone in your household will have to delay retirement because of losses in 401(k) retirement savings--extremely likely, very likely, just somewhat likely, or not that likely?

Extremely likely.....	13	[217]
Very likely.....	13	
Just somewhat likely.....	17	
Not that likely.....	54	
Not sure.....	3	

22d. When it comes to you and your family, have you been more affected by the decline in the stock market, or more affected by the decline in economic conditions such as job layoffs and loss in overtime? If neither has affected you and your family please just say so.

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	
Decline in the stock market.....	37	35	31	[218]
Decline in economic conditions.....	26	35	38	
Neither.....	31	25	28	
Both equally (VOL).....	5	4	3	
Not sure.....	1	1	-	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

23. Would you say that you and your family are better off or worse off than you were two years ago?

Better off.....	39	[219]
Worse off.....	40	
No difference/about the same (VOL).....	20	
Not sure.....	1	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Would you say that you and your family are better off or worse off than you were <i>four years ago</i> ?										
	<u>10/00+</u>	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>6/97<sup>1</sup></u>	<u>10/96</u>	<u>9/96+</u>	<u>8/2- 6/96+</u>	<u>7/96+</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>
Better off.....	63	62	69	59	49	52	48	46	49	47
Worse off.....	11	12	18	22	22	22	23	20	25	26
No difference/about the same (VOL).....	24	25	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Not sure.....	2	1	13	19	29	26	29	34	26	27
			<u>9/92</u>	<u>7/92</u>	<u>5/92</u>	<u>4/92</u>	<u>2/92</u>	<u>1/92</u>	<u>12/91</u>	<u>10/91</u>
			37	34	38	35	36	39	42	40
			40	42	39	43	41	40	39	37
			23	24	23	22	23	21	19	23

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

<sup>1</sup> Prior to December 1998, the volunteered response "about the same" was recorded separately. For purposes of comparison it is shown combined with "not sure."

- 24a. What do you think is the greatest cause of the recession and economic downturn that we have been experiencing?

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE*

The effects of the September eleventh attacks and the war on terrorism.....	34	[220-221]
The normal business cycle.....	16	
The policies of the Bush administration.....	12	
The policies of the Clinton administration. .	12	
The policies of Alan Greenspan and the Federal Reserve.....	3	
The threat of war with Iraq.....	3	
The policies of the Democrats in Congress.....	1	
Combination/depends (VOL).....	14	
None (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	3	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 24b. Which of the following do you think is the best idea to get the economy growing again?

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE*

Tough new laws and regulations on business and corporations.....	20	[222]
The resolution of our situation with Iraq.....	17	
Passing the Democratic program for job stimulus.....	15	
Making permanent the tax cut President Bush and Congress passed last year.....	15	
Federal Reserve lowering interest rates further.....	12	
Combination/depends (VOL).....	12	
None (VOL).....	3	
Not sure.....	6	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

- 24c. Do you think that proper government economic policies could or could not help speed the nation's recovery from its current economic downturn?

	<u>10/02</u> *+	<u>1/02</u> <sup>1</sup>	
Government policies can speed recovery...	71	72	[223]
Government policies cannot speed recovery.....	16	15	
Mixed/depends (VOL).....	5	6	
Don't know/not sure.....	8	7	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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<sup>1</sup> In January 2002, this question was phrased, "Do you think that proper economic policies could or could not help speed the nation's recovery from its current economic downturn?"

- 24d. Which of the following, if any, do you think would help the economy at this point--trying to stimulate the economy with tax cuts, or trying to stimulate the economy with additional spending on things like an extension of unemployment benefits?

Stimulating the economy with tax cuts.....	48	[224]
Stimulating the economy with additional spending.....	31	
Neither/other (VOL).....	13	
Not sure.....	8	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

- 24e. Do you think that President Bush is or is not paying enough attention to the economy?

President Bush is paying enough attention.....	46	[225]
President Bush is not paying enough attention....	48	
Not sure.....	6	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 25a. To what degree do you think the economic policies of the Bush administration have contributed to the weak economy--have they been a major factor, a secondary factor, a minor factor, or have they not been a factor?

Major factor.....	20	[226]
Secondary factor.....	28	
Minor factor.....	25	
Not a factor.....	23	
Not sure.....	4	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

- 25b. When it comes to the Bush administration's economic team, how much confidence do you have in it--a great deal, quite a bit, just some, very little, or no confidence at all?

A great deal of confidence.....	16	[227]
Quite a bit of confidence.....	17	
Just some confidence.....	32	
Very little confidence.....	20	
No confidence at all.....	13	
Not sure.....	2	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 26a. Do you think the tax-cut bill that Congress passed and the President signed last year helped the economy, hurt the economy, or didn't have any significant effect?

	<u>10/02</u> *+	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	
Tax cuts helped the economy.....	24	30	27	[228]
Tax cuts hurt the economy.....	24	15	17	
Tax cuts didn't have any significant effect...	47	43	45	
Had mixed effects (VOL).....	NA	6	5	
Not sure.....	5	6	6	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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- 26b. Please tell me which one of the following two statements you most agree with? **Statement A:** We should defer or cancel the tax cuts that President Bush and Congress passed last year because the federal budget is in a deficit and a war with Iraq could cost two hundred billion dollars. OR **Statement B:** We should keep or increase the tax cuts passed by President Bush and Congress last year because the economy is weak and the tax cuts will help stimulate it.

<b>Statement A</b> /defer or cancel.....	41	<b>[229]</b>
<b>Statement B</b> /keep or increase.....	51	
Not sure.....	8	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

### Turning to the stock market...

- 27a. Please tell me whether the following statement applies to you personally: "I have at least five thousand dollars invested in mutual funds or stocks."

	<u>10/02+</u>		<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	
Applies.....	55	<b>CONTINUE</b>	55	53	49	49	<b>[230]</b>
Does not apply.....	43	<b>Skip to Q.2a</b>	43	44	47	49	
Not sure.....	2		2	3	4	2	
			<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	
			49	52	49	51	
			49	46	49	45	
			2	2	2	4	

+Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

### (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY HAVE AT LEAST \$5,000 INVESTED IN Q.27a.)

- 27b. At this time, are you confident or not that confident about investing in the stock market?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	
Confident.....	31	32	31	<b>[231]</b>
Not that confident.....	67	64	65	
Not sure.....	2	4	4	

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- 28a. Thinking ahead to a year from now, do you think that the value of the stock market will be much higher, somewhat higher, about the same, somewhat lower, or much lower than it is today?

	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>3/00+</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>1/99</u>	<u>7/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>	
Much higher.....	5	8	5	4	6	8	6	7	5	6	7	<b>[232]</b>
Somewhat higher.....	44	48	30	25	30	30	24	26	27	30	31	
About the same.....	30	25	35	35	35	35	39	35	35	32	35	
Somewhat lower.....	9	11	18	23	14	11	22	17	16	19	15	
Much lower.....	4	3	5	4	6	5	4	7	6	7	4	
Not sure.....	8	5	7	9	9	11	5	8	11	6	8	

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- 28b. When it comes to your own investing in the stock market, would you say that the uncertainty about the situation with Iraq has or has not had an effect on how you are investing your money?

Yes, has had an effect on how I'm investing my money.....	34	[233]
No, has not had any effect on how I'm investing my money.....	47	
Does not apply/do not invest (VOL).....	17	
Not sure.....	2	

- 28c. With the decline of the stock market, how much have you and your family been affected over the past two years--a great deal, quite a bit, just some, very little, or not at all?

A great deal.....	15	[234]
Quite a bit.....	16	
Just some.....	29	
Very little.....	16	
Not at all.....	16	
Does not apply/do not invest (VOL).....	7	
Not sure.....	1	

- 28d. Which of these statements comes closer to your point of view—**Statement A:** The stock market is a fair and open way to invest one's money, or there are rules that make it fair and equal for all, OR **Statement B:** Because of corporate corruption and broker practices, the stock market is no longer a fair and open way to invest one's money.

	<u>10/02*+</u>	<u>7/02</u>	
<b>Statement A:</b> Stock market is fair and open.....	37	40	[235]
<b>Statement B:</b> Stock market is no longer fair and open....	55	49	
Not sure.....	8	11	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

### Changing subjects...

- 29a. How likely do you think it is that the United States will be the target of another major terrorist attack at home or overseas in the next few months--very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely, or very unlikely?

	<u>10/02*+</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	
Very likely.....	55	44	45	44	45	[236]
Somewhat likely.....	34	40	38	37	40	
Somewhat unlikely.....	5	10	11	11	10	
Very unlikely.....	4	4	4	5	3	
Not sure.....	2	2	2	3	2	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 29b. The CIA director has recently testified to Congress that the threat of another major terrorist attack by the Al Qaeda terrorist network is as strong as it was before the September eleventh attacks. How much more prepared do you think the United States is to deal with the threat since September eleventh--much more prepared, somewhat more prepared, as prepared, or less prepared?

Much more prepared.....	20	[237]
Somewhat more prepared.....	60	
As prepared.....	14	
Less prepared.....	5	
Not sure.....	1	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

30. Do you think that the United States will ever capture or kill international terrorist Osama bin Laden, or not?

	<u>10/02</u> **+	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u> <sup>1</sup>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/01</u>	
Yes, will capture or kill.....	34	35	43	51	66	73	[238]
No, will never capture or kill.....	47	43	47	33	23	15	
Already killed (VOL).....	6	8	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Not sure.....	13	14	10	16	11	12	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

<sup>1</sup> Prior to September 2002, "already killed" was not included as a possible response.

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 31a. Do you think that the United States should or should not take military action to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq?

	<u>10/02</u> +	<u>9/02</u>	<u>4/02</u> <sup>1</sup>	
Should take military action.....	60	58	57	[239]
Should not take military action.....	31	30	28	
Not sure.....	9	12	8	
Depends.....	NA	NA	7	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

<sup>1</sup> In April 2002, this question was phrased, "Do you think that the United States should or should not take military action against Iraq and Saddam Hussein?"

- 31b. Which of the following comes closest to what you mean by military action in this context?

Air strikes against Iraq with a small number of American ground troops.....	12	[240]
Full-scale air strikes and ground troops composed of only American military forces.....	10	
Full-scale air strikes and ground troops composed of American and international military forces.....	66	
Other/none (VOL).....	7	
Not sure.....	5	



32a. Do you consider Saddam Hussein a serious threat to the United States?

	<u>10/02**+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	
Yes, Saddam Hussein is a serious threat....	76	77	[241]
No, Saddam Hussein is not a serious threat.....	22	19	
Not sure.....	2	4	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).  
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

32b. The United States learned this week that North Korea has secretly been developing nuclear weapons. Do you consider North Korea a serious threat to the United States?

Yes, North Korea is a serious threat.....	52	[242]
No, North Korea is not a serious threat.....	41	
Not sure.....	7	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

32c. Do you think that removing Saddam Hussein from power would or would not reduce the threat of terrorism in the world?

	<u>10/02**+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	
Would reduce threat of terrorism.....	52	47	[243]
Would not reduce threat of terrorism.....	38	39	
Would not make a difference either way (VOL).....	6	8	
Not sure.....	4	6	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).  
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

33a. In order for the United States to be successful in a war against Iraq, which ONE of the following statements comes closer to your view? **Statement A:** The United States will be able to use a small number of ground troops supplemented by United States' air power and Iraqi opposition forces. OR **Statement B:** The United States will need to commit as many as two hundred thousand ground troops in addition to United States' air power and Iraqi opposition forces.

	<u>10/02*+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	
<b>Statement A</b> /small number of ground troops.....	28	25	[244]
<b>Statement B</b> /200,000 ground troops.....	56	62	
Depends (VOL).....	5	3	
Not sure.....	11	10	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).  
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

33b. Do you think that the United States should or should not take military action against Iraq and Saddam Hussein if it means committing as many as two hundred thousand American troops?

	<u>10/02**+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	
Should take action.....	47	49	54	41	[245]
Should not take action.....	40	35	31	40	
Depends (VOL).....	5	7	8	9	
Not sure.....	8	9	7	10	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).  
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 34a. If the United States had evidence that Saddam Hussein is building or is about to build nuclear weapons, do you think that we should or should not take military action to remove him from power?

	<u>10/02</u> *+	<u>9/02</u>	
Should take military action.....	77	80	[246]
Should not take military action.....	18	13	
Not sure.....	5	7	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

- 34b. The United States learned this week that North Korea has secretly been developing nuclear weapons. Do you think that we should or should not take military action to disarm North Korea of its nuclear weapons?

Should take military action.....	27	[247]
Should not take military action.....	59	
Not sure.....	14	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

35. Do you think that the United States' policy should be to attack groups and countries if we have evidence that they are preparing to commit terrorist acts, or to not attack any country or group until they actually commit a terrorist act?

	<u>10/02</u> *+	<u>9/02</u>	
Should attack if we have evidence.....	52	67	[248]
Should not attack until they commit a terrorist act.....	31	22	
Depends (VOL).....	10	6	
Not sure.....	7	5	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

36. Do you think that the United States should or should not help those who might be able to assassinate Saddam Hussein?

Should help.....	64	[249]
Should not help.....	23	
Depends (VOL).....	4	
Not sure.....	9	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

37a. Do you think that the United States is or is not doing all it can do to deal with Saddam Hussein through diplomatic efforts?

Yes, doing all it can.....	60	<b>[250]</b>
No, not doing all it can.....	33	
Depends (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	5	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

37b. Do you think that the United States should take military action against Iraq only with the support of the United Nations, or should the United States take military action against Iraq even if the United Nations does not support such action?

Should take military action only if UN supports it.....	54	<b>[251]</b>
Should take military action even if UN does not support it.....	38	
United States should never take military action against Iraq (VOL).....	2	
Depends (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	4	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

38a. When it comes to you personally, do you favor or oppose going to war to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq?

Favor.....	56	<b>[252]</b>
Oppose.....	38	
Not sure.....	6	

38b. As you probably know, this week President Bush signed a resolution from Congress authorizing him to use military force, if necessary, to disarm Iraq and remove Saddam Hussein from power. Do you think that there has been enough discussion and debate on this issue or do you think that there should be more discussion and debate?

Yes, there has been enough discussion and debate.....	59	<b>[253]</b>
No, there has not been enough discussion and debate.....	38	
Not sure.....	3	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

38c. Do you think that an attack on Iraq would help the war on terrorism or be a distraction to the war on terrorism?

Attack on Iraq would help the war on terrorism.....	48	[254]
Attack on Iraq would be a distraction to war on terrorism.....	42	
Not sure.....	10	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

39a. If the United States were to remove Saddam Hussein from power, do you think that it would be our responsibility to stay and help form a new government, or that we could turn over that responsibility to Iraqi opposition leaders?

Would be our responsibility to stay and help form a new government.....	59	[255]
We could turn over responsibility to Iraqi opposition.....	28	
Depends (VOL).....	7	
Not sure.....	6	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

39b. If, after removing Saddam Hussein from power, the only way to ensure a stable government in Iraq would be for the United States to become involved in an expensive, long-term occupation by our troops, would you support or oppose that policy of long-term occupation of Iraq?

Would support.....	43	[256]
Would oppose.....	48	
Depends (VOL).....	4	
Not sure.....	5	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

#### Getting near the end of our survey...

40a. How much do you worry that the sniper attacks in the Washington D.C. metropolitan area represent a new kind of threat that could affect your area--a great deal, quite a bit, just some, very little, or not at all?

Worry a great deal.....	21	[257]
Worry quite a bit.....	15	
Worry just some.....	27	
Worry very little.....	19	
Do not worry at all.....	18	
Not sure.....	-	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

- 40b. How worried are you for your own security since the sniper attacks in the Washington D.C. metropolitan area began--very worried, fairly worried, just somewhat worried, or not at all worried?

Very worried.....	11	<b>[258]</b>
Fairly worried.....	7	
Just somewhat worried.....	28	
Not at all worried.....	53	
Not sure.....	1	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

41. Earlier this year, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops adopted a policy that would permanently remove from the ministry any priest who has been found guilty of sexually abusing a minor. The Vatican rejected this policy, saying that it conflicts with church law and does not provide an appeals process for the accused priests. Do you agree with the Vatican that the policy should be revised or do you think that the policy as adopted by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops is good as it is?

Policy should be revised.....	32	<b>[259]</b>
Policy is good as it is.....	61	
Not sure.....	7	

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

**FACTUALS:** Now I'm going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

F1. Are you currently employed? **(IF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:)** What type of work do you do?

**(IF NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:)** Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

<u>Currently Employed</u>		
Professional/ manager.....	25	<b>[260-261]</b>
White-collar worker.....	21	
Blue-collar worker.....	15	
Farmer, rancher.....	1	
<u>Not Currently Employed</u>		
Student.....	2	
Homemaker.....	5	
Retired.....	24	
Unemployed, looking for work.....	5	
Other.....	-	
Not sure.....	2	

F2. Did you happen to vote in the 2000 presidential election? **(IF "YES," ASK:)** For whom did you vote-- George W. Bush, the Republican, Al Gore, the Democrat, Ralph Nader, the Green Party candidate, or Pat Buchanan, the Reform Party candidate?

<b>Yes, Voted</b>		<b>[268]</b>
Voted for George W. Bush.....	47	
Voted for Al Gore.....	36	
Voted for Ralph Nader.....	3	
Voted for Pat Buchanan.....	1	
Voted for other candidate (VOL).....	1	
Not sure who voted for (VOL).....	1	
<b>No, Did Not Vote</b>		
No, was too young to vote (VOL).....	1	
<b>Not Sure/Refused</b> .....	3	

F3. How old are you? **(IF "REFUSED," ASK:)** Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to?

18-24.....	6	50-54.....	12	<b>[269-270]</b>
25-29.....	6	55-59.....	8	
30-34.....	8	60-64.....	6	
35-39.....	7	65-69.....	7	
40-44.....	10	70-74.....	5	
45-49.....	14	75 and over.....	9	
		Refused.....	2	

F4. What is the last grade that you completed in school?

Grade school.....	1	<b>[271-272]</b>
Some high school.....	5	
High school graduate.....	26	
Some college, no degree.....	17	
Vocational training/2-year college.....	12	
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	22	
Some postgraduate work, no degree.....	3	
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree....	9	
Doctoral/law degree.....	3	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

F5. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative?

Liberal.....	21	[273]
Moderate.....	39	
Conservative.....	35	
Not sure.....	5	

F6. Are you currently single and never married, married, separated, widowed, or divorced?

Single.....	17	[274]
Married.....	61	
Separated.....	2	
Widowed.....	8	
Divorced.....	10	
Other (VOL).....	-	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

F7a. In what religion were you brought up?

Protestant.....	46	CONTINUE	[275]
Catholic.....	30		
Jewish.....	2		
Muslim.....	-	Skip to Q.F8b	
Other.....	16		
None.....	3		
Not sure/refused.....	3		

(ASK ONLY OF PROTESTANTS IN Q.F7a.)

F7b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

Fundamentalist/evangelical.....	16	[276]
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical.....	27	
Not sure.....	3	
Non-Protestants (Q.F7a).....	54	

F8a. How often do you attend services at a church, synagogue, or other place of worship?

Never.....	14	[277]
Once a year.....	5	
A few times a year.....	20	
Once a month.....	9	
About twice a month.....	8	
Once a week or more often.....	40	
Not sure.....	4	

F8b. Are you a member of a labor union? (IF "NO," ASK:) Is anyone else in this household a member of a labor union?

Labor union member.....	12	[278]
Labor union household.....	7	
Non-union household.....	79	
Not sure.....	2	

F9a. Are you from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, Hispanic.....	7	[279]
No, not Hispanic.....	90	
Not sure/refused.....	3	

F9b. What is your race--white, black, Asian, or something else?

White.....	80	[280]
Black.....	9	
Asian.....	1	
Other.....	3	
Hispanic (VOL).....	4	
Not sure/refused.....	3	

F10. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that?

Less than \$10,000.....	4	[308]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	7	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	10	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	9	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	11	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	20	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000.....	11	
More than \$100,000.....	13	
Not sure/refused.....	15	